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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to serve as testimony to the importance of an arts education in the school. As a parent I am very concerned in the trend that I am seeing in our public schools. I whole-heartedly agree that the "basic" skills are important, but in order for a child to be well rounded they also need an arts education. One that will let them explore the "gray" area, and let them think for themselves.

Most affluent communities may be able to provide their children with extra curricular experiences in the arts. However for the majority of students this will not be possible. Please make fine arts part of the graduation requirement for all students. Please leave no child behind!

Sincerely,

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